

Daily Digest

Friday, January 3, 1969

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 3-12

Resolutions Submitted: Nine resolutions were submitted, as follows:

S. Res. 1-8; and S. Con. Res. 1.

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President Pro Tempore: S. Res. 4, providing for the election of Senator Russell, of Georgia, as President pro tempore of the Senate, was submitted and adopted. Senator Dirksen proposed an amendment to elect Senator Aiken to this office instead of Senator Russell, which was rejected by voice vote.

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Swearing in of Senators: The following 34 Senators, elected in November 1968 for 6-year terms beginning January 3, 1969, were sworn in: Senators Aiken, Allen, Bayh, Bellmon, Bennett, Bible, Church, Cook, Cotton, Cranston, Dirksen, Dole, Dominick, Eagleton, Ervin, Fulbright, Goldwater, Gravel, Gurney, Hollings, Hughes, Inouye, Javits, Long, Magnuson, Mathias, McGovern, Nelson, Packwood, Ribicoff, Saxbe, Schweiker, Talmadge, and Young of North Dakota.

In addition, Senator Stevens, who was appointed to serve the unexpired term of the late Senator Bartlett, was sworn in (appointed to serve until Jan. 2, 1973).

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Procedural Resolutions Adopted: Senate adopted the following procedural resolutions:

Notification of quorum: S. Res. 1, providing for the appointment of two Senators to advise the President that a quorum of the Senate is present and ready to receive any message. Senators Mansfield and Dirksen were appointed to this committee;

Legislative program: S. Res. 2, advising the House that a quorum of the Senate is present and ready to transact business;

Hour of meeting: S. Res. 3, setting the hour of 12 o'clock meridian as the hour of daily meeting of the Senate unless otherwise ordered;

President pro tempore: S. Res. 5, directing that the President be notified of the election of Senator Russell as President pro tempore;

President pro tempore: S. Res. 6, directing that the

House be notified of the election of Senator Russell as President pro tempore; and

Condolence resolution: S. Res. 7, expressing condolences on the death of Senator Bartlett.

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Funeral of Senator Bartlett: Senate adopted S. Res. 8, to provide for payment of funeral expenses of the late Senator Bartlett.

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Electoral Count: Senate adopted S. Con. Res. 1, providing for a joint meeting of the House and Senate in the Hall of the House on Monday, January 6, 1969, at 1 p.m., for the purpose of opening and counting the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President.

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Transaction of Senate Business: Majority leader announced that there will be no introduction of bills or resolutions or other matters of business transacted until after the President has delivered the state of the Union message to the Congress, the date of which message is as yet undetermined.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 12:53 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 1,390 public bills, H.R. 1-1389 and H.R. 1776; 664 private bills, H.R. 1390-1775 and H.R. 1777-2054; and 325 resolutions, H.J. Res. 1-177, H. Con. Res. 1-62, and H. Res. 1-86, were introduced.

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Bills Reported: The following reports of the 90th Congress were filed subsequent to its adjournment:

A report entitled "The Position of Small Business in Government Procurement" (H. Rept. 1975);

Report on manpower management in the Federal Government. (Examples for the period January-June 1968.) (H. Rept. 1976);

A report entitled "Small Business in Smaller Cities and Towns" (H. Rept. 1977);

Report entitled "The Allocation of Radio Frequency and Its Effect on Small Business" (H. Rept. 1978);

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Report entitled "Organization and Operation of the Small Business Administration (1968)" (H. Rept. 1979);

Report entitled "The Use of Games of Chance in Gasoline Marketing and Their Impact Upon Small Business" (H. Rept. 1980);

Report entitled "The Effect Upon Small Business of Voluntary Industrial Standards" (H. Rept. 1981);

Activity report of the Committee on Interstate and Foreign Commerce, 90th Congress, second session. (H. Rept. 1982);

Small business problems in the drug industry. (H. Rept. 1983);

Promotional practices by public utilities and their effect upon small business. (H. Rept. 1984);

Final report—90th Congress. (H. Rept. 1985).

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Election of Speaker: By a record vote of 241 to 187, with two voting "present," John W. McCormack was elected Speaker of the House of Representatives over Gerald R. Ford of Michigan. Representatives Friedel, Lipscomb, Sullivan, and Reid of Illinois, acted as tellers. The Speaker was escorted to the chair by Representatives Gerald R. Ford, Arends, Albert, Boggs, and Philbin.

Representative Celler administered the oath of office to the Speaker, who subsequently administered the oath of office to Members-elect present en bloc and the Resident Commissioner of the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico. Representative-elect Adam Clayton Powell of New York was requested to stand aside during the en bloc oath administration.

Adopted by a record vote of 254 yeas to 158 nays, with six voting "present," H. Res. 2, providing for the administration of the oath of office to Representative-elect Powell; fined Representative Powell \$25,000, and authorized a deduction from his salary of \$1,150 per month until the fine is paid; his seniority will commence at the time he takes the oath of office for the 91st Congress. Representative Powell presented himself in the well and the Speaker administered the oath.

Prior to adopting H. Res. 2, the previous question was ordered by a record vote of 249 yeas to 171 nays. Prior to action on H. Res. 2 the following action was taken on H. Res. 1, providing that the oath of office be administered to Representative-elect Powell:

Twice motions ordering the previous question were defeated by record votes of 176 yeas to 248 nays and 172 yeas to 252 nays;

A point of order was sustained against an amendment which provided: for the administration of the oath; a fine of \$30,000, and a deduction of \$1,250 per month from the Representative's salary until the fine was paid; and seniority would begin on his taking the oath in the 91st Congress;

By a record vote of 131 yeas to 291 nays an amend-

ment in the nature of a substitute was defeated, the amendment provided the question of seating of Representative-elect Powell be referred to a special committee which would be required to report back to the House within 3 weeks.

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Party Leaders: It was announced that Representatives Albert and Gerald R. Ford had been selected as Majority and Minority leaders, respectively; and that Representatives Boggs and Arends have been selected as Democratic and Republican whips, respectively.

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Election of House Officers: Adopted H. Res. 3, electing the following officers of the House of Representatives:

W. Pat Jennings, Clerk of the House of Representatives;

Zeake W. Johnson, Jr., Sergeant at Arms;

William M. Miller, Doorkeeper;

H. H. Morris, Postmaster; and

Rev. Edward G. Latch, D.D., Chaplain.

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Notify Senate: Adopted H. Res. 4, to inform the Senate that a quorum of the House had assembled and had elected John W. McCormack, a Representative from the State of Massachusetts, Speaker; and W. Pat Jennings, Clerk of the U.S. House of Representatives.

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Notify President: Adopted H. Res. 5, authorizing the Speaker to appoint a committee of three Members to join with a like committee of the Senate to notify the President that a quorum of each House has been assembled and that Congress is ready to receive any communications he may be pleased to make. Subsequently the Speaker appointed Representatives Albert, Boggs, and Gerald R. Ford to the committee.

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Inform President: Adopted H. Res. 6, authorizing the Clerk of the House to inform the President that the House of Representatives has elected John W. McCormack, a Representative from the State of Massachusetts, Speaker; and W. Pat Jennings, a citizen of the Commonwealth of Virginia, Clerk of the House of Representatives.

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House Rules: Adopted by a voice vote, H. Res. 7, providing that the rules of the 90th Congress be the rules of the 91st Congress with an amendment to allow Members to vote in the well after the second call of the roll and before the vote is announced.

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Minority Employees: Adopted H. Res. 8, announcing the selection and fixing the salaries of the following minority employees: Harry L. Brookshire, Richard T. Burrell, William R. Bonsell, Tommy Lee Winebrenner, Walter Patrick Kennedy, and Robert T. Hartmann.

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Committee Size: Adopted H. Res. 9, providing for 51 Members on the Committee on Appropriations and 40 Members on the Committee on Armed Services.

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Committee Elections: Adopted H. Res. 10, electing the following Members to the standing committee of the House of Representatives on Ways and Means: Mills (Chairman); Boggs; Watts; Ullman; Burke of Massachusetts; Griffiths; Rostenkowski; Landrum; Vanik; Fulton of Tennessee; Gilbert; Burleson; Corman; and Green of Pennsylvania.

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Committee Appointments: Adopted H. Res. 11, making standing committee appointments for the majority;

Adopted H. Res. 12, making standing committee appointments for the minority.

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Hour of Meeting: Adopted H. Res. 13, fixing the hour of meeting of the House of Representatives at 12 o'clock meridian, unless otherwise ordered.

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Resignation of Members: Heard the reading of a letter of resignation from Representative Fino of the 90th Congress.

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Electoral Count: Adopted S. Con. Res. 1, providing for a joint session on January 9, 1969, for the opening and counting of the votes of the electors of the several States for President and Vice President. Representatives Friedel and Lipscomb were designated by the Speaker to act as tellers.

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Inaugural Committee: Adopted H. Con. Res. 1, continuing resolution for the Joint Committee on Inauguration. The Speaker appointed Representatives Gerald R. Ford, McCormack, and Albert to serve on the committee.

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Permission To Sit: Adopted H. Res. 14, granting permission to the Committee on Appropriations to sit during general debate of the House during the 91st Congress.

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House Records: Adopted H. Res. 15, relative to compliance with subpenas duces tecum during a recess or adjournment.

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Commission Appointments: The Speaker appointed Representatives Celler and Cramer to the House Office Building Commission.

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Recess: Provided that the Speaker may call a recess at any time on January 9, 1969, for the purpose of holding a Joint Session to receive the Apollo 8 Astronauts.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

Monday, January 6, 1969

Senate

Chamber Action

Resolution Submitted: One resolution was submitted, as follows: S. Res. 9.

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Electoral Count: Senate met in joint session with the House, pursuant to provisions of S. Con. Res. 1, providing for a joint session of the House and Senate in the Hall of the House for the opening and counting of the electoral ballots of the several States in the election of the President and Vice President.

With regard to the matter of the challenge of the electoral vote of a North Carolina Presidential elector, the Senate, by a vote of 33 yeas to 58 nays, rejected the objection to the electoral votes cast in North Carolina for George C. Wallace for President and for Curtis E. LeMay for Vice President.

After the Senate had returned to its Chamber, Senator Curtis, one of the tellers on the part of the Senate appointed to count the electoral votes, announced the results of the count as follows: Richard M. Nixon and Spiro T. Agnew received 301 votes for President and Vice President, respectively; Hubert H. Humphrey and Edmund S. Muskie received 191 votes for President and Vice President, respectively; and George C. Wallace and Curtis E. LeMay received 46 votes for President and Vice President, respectively.

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Inaugural Committee: Senate concurred in H. Con. Res. 1, authorizing continuation of joint committee to make arrangements for the inauguration.

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Senate Chaplain: Senate agreed to S. Res. 9, electing Rev. Edward B. Lewis, D.D., of Washington, D.C., Acting Chaplain of the Senate.

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Adjournment: Adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

Committee Meetings

NUTRITION AND HUMAN NEEDS

Select Committee on Nutrition and Human Needs: Committee announced that it will begin a series of hearings on January 8-10 to receive testimony from Government officials. On Wednesday testimony will be received from Secretary of Agriculture Orville L. Freeman, on Thursday from Dr. Thomas Bryant, Assistant Director of the Office of Economic Opportunity, and Friday from Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare Wilbur J. Cohen.

These hearings will begin at 10 a.m. in room 1202 of the New Senate Office Building.